Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Diane Dunkel has dedicated the past 40 years to serving the health and nutrition needs of South Dakotans; and,

Whereas, Diane graduated from Presentation College School of Nursing as a diploma nurse in 1967, and began her nursing career at Redfield Community Memorial Hospital, working there from 1967 to 1969; and,

Whereas, In 1969, Diane went to work for the South Dakota Developmental Center at Redfield, South Dakota, and resigned in 1972, prior to the birth of her children; and,

Whereas, Diane worked part-time at James Valley Nursing Home and Eastern Star Nursing Home in Redfield until 1978, when she returned to the Developmental Center; and,

Whereas, In 1979, Diane joined the South Dakota Department of Health (DOH), as one of four community health nurses in Spink County, providing home health care and implementing WIC program services in the county; and,

Whereas, Diane has been a valued member of the department's Community Health Services team, and will be missed by her colleagues and clients alike; and,

Whereas, Diane and her husband, Henry, plan to make more trips to Missouri to visit their daughter, Lanette Garrison, and her husband, Grant, granddaughters, Erica and Alexis, and also to spend time with their son, Brent Dunkel; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan, and to congratulate her as colleagues, family, and friends gather on July 7, 2008, to recognize her for her dedication and service on the occasion of her retirement on July 8, 2008:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 8, 2008, as

DIANE DUNKEL DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State